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TO: SOUTH DAKOTA ONE CALL NOTIFICATION BOARD

FROM: REX GILLES

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

DATE: October 6, 2006

RE: ANSWER TO COMPLAINT

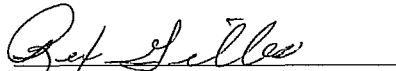
I am writing to respond to the complaint against me for the 2-pair cable cut on the Ed Miller place on September 8, 2006.

I informed Mr. Miller it is my responsibility to call the South Dakota One Call 800 number prior to digging. Mr. Miller was adamant I start working and he was certain there were no lines of any kind where he wanted me to dig.

The 2-pair cable owned by Golden West Telecommunications on the Ed Miller land went to a home that is vacant. There was no one inconvenienced and there was no threat to public safety.

Since September 8, 2006 I have used the South Dakota One Call system whenever I intend to dig.

Enclosed is a signed statement from Mr. Ed Miller.


Rex Gilles

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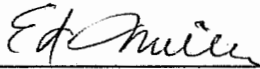
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On September 8, 2006, I authorized and directed Rex Gilles, Ditching Contractor, to trench a water line on the north place of my ranch. Rex made it clear to me that he was supposed to call the South Dakota One-Call System. I told Rex that there were no telephone lines in the area where we were digging.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.



Ed Miller
17202 Avance Road
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Date